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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

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Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

The Department of Agriculture has submitted the following information collection requirement(s) to OMB for review and clearance under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104-13. Comments regarding (a) whether the collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the agency's estimate of burden including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology should be addressed to: Desk Officer for Agriculture, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget (OMB), OIRA_Submission@OMB.EOP.GOV or fax (202) 395-5806 and to Departmental Clearance Office, USDA, OCIO, Mail Stop 7602, Washington, D.C. 20250-7602. Comments regarding these information collections are best assured of having their full effect if received within 30 days of this notification. Copies of the submission(s) may be obtained by calling (202) 720-8958.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor a collection of information unless the collection of information displays a currently valid OMB control number and the agency informs potential persons who are to respond to the collection of information that such persons are not required to respond to the collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number.

Food and Nutrition Service

TITLE: Evaluation of Demonstrations of NSLP/SBP Direct Certification of Children Receiving Medicaid Benefits

OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 0584-NEW

SUMMARY OF COLLECTION: The Healthy, Hunger-Free Kids Act of 2010, Section 103, directs USDA to demonstrate direct certification for free lunches and breakfasts to children who are receiving Medicaid and whose households have a gross income as measured by Medicaid that does not exceed 133 percent Federal Poverty Level. In response to this Federal mandate, the Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) seeks approval to conduct data collection as part of the Evaluation of Demonstrations of NSLP/SBP Direct Certification of Children Receiving Medicaid Benefits. The overall aim of this evaluation is to estimate the effect of direct certification using Medicaid (DC-M) on meal program access, costs, and participation.

NEED AND USE OF THE INFORMATION: FNS will collect information using a study. The study will identify the challenges the States and local education agencies (LEA) face when implementing DC-M. The study will also gather data from State and LEAs to include: (1) Certification and participation records; (2) cost surveys and interviews that

include certification costs, and federal benefits costs; as well as (3) challenges in conducting DC-M matching.

DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS: State, Local, or Tribal Government

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 2,428

FREQUENCY OF RESPONSES: Reporting: Quarterly, Semi-annually, Annually, Other (instrument collected 5x/yr)

TOTAL BURDEN HOURS: 3,162

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TITLE: Food Program Reporting System (FPRS)

OMB CONTROL NUMBER: 0584-NEW

SUMMARY OF COLLECTION: The Food and Nutrition Service (FNS) is the Federal agency responsible for managing the domestic nutrition assistance programs. Its mission is to increase food security and reduce hunger in partnership with cooperating organization by providing children and low-income people with access to food, a healthful diet and nutrition education in a manner that supports American agriculture and inspires public confidence. FNS is consolidating certain programmatic and financial data reporting requirements under the Food Programs Reporting System (FPRS), an electronic reporting system. The purpose is to give States and Indian Tribal Organizations (ITO) agencies one portal for the various reporting required for the programs that the States and ITO operate.

NEED AND USE OF THE INFORMATION: The data collected will be used for a variety of purposes, mainly program evaluation, planning, audits, funding, research, regulatory compliance and general statistics. The data is gathered at various times, ranging from monthly, quarterly, annual or final submissions. With the information FNS would be unable to meet its legislative and regulatory reporting requirements for the affected programs.

DESCRIPTION OF RESPONDENTS: State, Local or Tribal Government

NUMBER OF RESPONDENTS: 5,095

FREQUENCY OF RESPONSES: Reporting: Quarterly, Semi-annually, Monthly; Annually

TOTAL BURDEN HOURS: 86,811

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